#### RFQ 600-12-601

#### FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

#### TO THE

#### Bright Schools Program

**Energy Partnership Program** 

# Energy Conservation Assistance Act (ECAA) Financing Program

**Questions and Answers** 

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### RFQ Questions

1. Page 7 of 34 of the RFQ under "Reference Documents" refers to past energy audit documents prepared by CEC consultants. Does this reference refer only to the few samples that were released with the RFQ, or are others available, and if so, where specifically?

This only refers to the 4 samples included in the RFQ website. They are studies for Castaic Lake State Recreation Area, Eastern Municipal Water District, Lake Tahoe Community College, and Ohlone Elementary School.

2. Page 21 of 34, Part G. Examples of Prior Work notes that "it is not necessary to provide more than one copy of each product example". However, the RFQ also requests 1 original and 5 copies of both Volumes 1 and 2 (on page 17). Volume 2 includes example work in Part G. At the Pre-Bid, the presenter said that one hard copy was sufficient. May we provide one copy of a Volume 3 that includes work samples, and simply refer to this in Volume 2, Part G by reference? Given the number of unique examples required, we expect this may be quite voluminous.

Yes, this will be appropriate.

3. Alternatively, can we provide these work samples online by ftp site to save paper?

No, we will not accept full or partial electronic copies of any Statement of Qualifications. Please see #2 above.

4. Is it the Commission's intent for the sample works to include calculations?

Yes. Please include all calculations, attachments, or appendices to your sample works.

5. Page 22 of 34, Part H. Response to Hypothetical Question #1; Please clarify if the VRF system is to be part of a new construction or retrofit system and provide a rough size and occupancy type for the building.

Please make your own assumptions. We are not asking you to make energy savings calculations. Instead, we would like to know your approach in evaluating energy savings and to send us samples of energy savings calculations you may have done in the past related to VRF HVAC systems.

6. Page 22 of 34, Part H. Response to Hypothetical Question #2; It would be helpful to also know the specific occupancy of the building; Is it continuously occupied, an office schedule, or other? Also what type of floor does the building have – is it slab on grade, crawlspace, or combination?

Please make your own assumptions. Please see question #5 above.

7. Page 22 of 34, Part H. Response to Hypothetical Question #2; We assume "get credit" in part (a) refers to demonstrating the building's performance relative to Title 24, CALGreen and LEED. Please clarify.

Please focus on Title 24 credits, utility rebates, and LEED certification.

8. Please confirm that there are no page limits – especially for contents in Volume 2, Technical Response.

There is no limit to the number of pages in Volume 2. However, please respond to all parts reasonably and in a concise manner.

9. Can a firm be a subcontractor on multiple teams?

Subcontractors can be on more than one team (in other words, more than one Statement of Qualifications submitted by a firm). However, a firm submitting a Statement of Qualifications (identified as the firm that would enter into a contract with the Energy Commission – the Prime Contractor) cannot be a subcontractor on any other team. A firm submitting a Statement of Qualifications (in other words, the Prime Contractor) may only submit for one team.

# 10. Can a prime contractor be on other teams?

No. Please see response on Question #9.

11. How will the RFQ be scored? Who will be evaluating the proposals?

Please refer to the RFQ starting on page 26 for the evaluation criteria. Energy Commission technical staff will be evaluating the proposals.

#### 12. What is the basis of the DVBE incentive?

Incentive points are based on a percentage of the total possible available points. The maximum points a prime contractor can achieve for this RFQ is 1,000 points. The DVBE

incentive is calculated based on 1000 points. See Attachment 3.1.

# 13. According to the five minimum qualifications, is it not possible for the Architect/LEED AP to be a separate subcontractor unless the Architect/LEED AP firm also employs a Professional Engineer?

An Architect/LEED AP firm may be a subcontractor in the team even if they do not employ a Professional Engineer in their firm. However, an Architect/LEED AP firm can be the Prime Contractor firm that submits a SOQ, only if they employ one or more Professional Engineers and can perform one or more Tasks of Task 2 to Task 6 specified in this RFQ. See the Minimum Qualifications in Addendum #1, posted on November 5, 2012 and edited in Addendum #2, posted on November 19, 2012. The minimum qualifications are included in Exhibit C of these questions and answers.

14. Did you say the prime cannot do any other tasks other than task 1? I thought I heard that the prime can perform tasks beyond task 1. Please clarify.

Task 1 or the Agreement Management task can only be performed by the Prime Contractor, but the Prime Contractor can perform the other tasks as well.

15. Would the marketing firm also need a Professional Engineer?

No, that is not necessary, unless the marketing firm is the Prime Contractor.

16. Does the Table of Contents on Volume 1 cover both volumes?

Yes.

17. For the hypothetical questions, what is the level of detail you are looking for? 5 pages? 10 pages?

There are no page limits. However, please respond as completely and concisely as you can to each question.

18. How do we get a list of attendees and a copy of the presentation today?

The Pre-Bid presentation and list of attendees are posted at <a href="http://www.energy.ca.gov/contracts/RFQ\_600-12-601/index.php">http://www.energy.ca.gov/contracts/RFQ\_600-12-601/index.php</a>.

19. The evaluation criteria award more points for enhancing features and creative approaches. Please provide examples of enhancing features and creative approaches.

An example of an enhancing feature may be an approach to help "client" organizations fund projects and apply for rebates. This scoring scale is standard language in all Energy Commission RFQs. Scores are based on the extent the proposer addresses all the requirements and questions in the RFQ.

20. Some of our sample work products may require release from our customers. In this case, the customer may require striking out the name of the customer and other information that may be confidential. Would samples with strike outs and other means to protect confidentiality be acceptable?

The Energy Commission will not accept or retain any SOQs that have any portion marked confidential or the SOQ will be automatically rejected. If the firm submitting a SOQ can properly strike out any information the firm believes is confidential, and there is no possibility that the information can be detected, then the Energy Commission will accept the work sample. Sometimes when typed information is struck out by hand with a black marker, and then the paper is copied, the information can still be read. We highly recommend deleting the information electronically and then submitting the document with blanks. Please remember that, on the submission date, all SOQs and related material submitted in response to this RFQ become the property of the State. After the Notice of Proposed Award is posted, all SOQs and related materials become public records. Since the Technical Assistance Program is geared toward public agencies, in general, we encourage submitting work samples from public agencies which will always contain public information.

21. Page 21 of 34 of the RFQ describes analytical tools. Is this a standard paragraph in CEC proposals? To what extent is the CEC interested in hearing about energy efficiency software tools that the contractor may use to support the studies?

Technical assistance provided should focus on the software tools that are acceptable to the utilities and program participants. Other software tools will be evaluated on a case by case basis (e.g. life cycle cost analysis, building hourly simulation models for Title 24 compliance and tools that enhances LEED certification.)

# Technical Assistance Program Questions

22. Are UC colleges eligible to the Technical Assistance Program?

Yes.

23. How long has the Technical Assistance Program been in operation?

Approximately 20 years.

24. How many contractors are in the current contract?

The current contract has 1 Prime Contractor and 11 subcontractors.

25. Why did you decide on one Prime Contractor at this time?

This program has always had one Prime Contractor. The Energy Commission will be contracting with the Prime Contractor and the Prime Contractor will be contracting with each subcontractor in the team.

#### 26. Who is the current Prime Contractor?

The current Prime Contractor is Digital Energy, Inc.

#### 27. How long has the current contractor been the prime?

For this current contract, Digital Energy, Inc. has been the Prime Contractor since March 2008. Digital Energy, Inc. was also the Prime Contractor of the previous contract from July 2004 to March 2008.

# 28. Prior to 2008, how was the funding used up? Do we think the technical assistance funding will be used up in this contract?

We have no way of predicting how much funding will be used. Since the beginning of the current contract in March 2008, we have written 67 work authorizations amounting to close to \$1.4 Million or half of the current total funding of \$2.8 Million. The previous contract had a total funding of \$2,240,000 and only \$801,446 was actually spent. There were 68 work authorizations written in the previous contract.

### 29. Is there an opportunity to add funding to this program if the \$2 Million is used up?

It is too early to tell at this time. It will depend on funding available at that time.

# 30. The RFQ says 3 subs but you mentioned the current prime contractor has 9 subs. Can we add subs as time goes on?

The minimum qualifications require that the prime contractor firm submitting a SOQ includes at least three subcontractors on the team. The current Prime Contractor has 11 subcontractors. Subcontractors may be added during the contract period. However, there should be a justifiable need to do so and additions can be made only after approval by the Contract Manager. Please see page 11 of Attachment 6 of the RFQ for the process of adding new subcontractors.

#### 31. Can we add more subcontractors after being selected and awarded?

See question #30 above.

# 32. Please confirm - does the Bright Schools program include IMPLEMENTATION of the energy audit recommendations?

This Technical Assistance program does not provide actual funding for implementing the measures. However, the Energy Commission administers a low interest loan program called the Energy Conservation Assistance Act Financing Program and technical assistance recipients may apply for funds to implement projects.

# 33. How will the work authorizations be handed out? Is the contractor expected to write detailed scope of work for each project?

Once an application to the Bright Schools and Energy Partnership Program is received, staff conducts a preliminary site visit. Staff determines the potential energy saving

measures at the site and writes a work authorization, potentially with the assistance of the Prime Contractor and/or the assigned subcontractor. The Prime Contractor shall make work assignments to subcontractor team members based on the team member's relative expertise and/or project workload, with Energy Commission's concurrence on final selection of the team for each work authorization.

# 34. Please list the subcontractors to the Prime Contractor Digital Energy, Inc., on the current program?

We have attached the current contractor list. Please see Exhibit B: Digital Energy Contractor Team.

# 35. Please describe the role of the consultant versus the CEC staff in working with the "client" (organization that receives the feasibility study) during the course of the client project (kick-off activities, audit, progress meetings, final presentation, and follow-up to encourage implementation)?

The consultant is expected to work with the client to gather the required information necessary to develop the energy efficiency study outlined in the Work Authorization executed by the Energy Commission. The first step is for the consultant to schedule a kick off meeting with the client. The purpose of this meeting is to gain a better understanding of the project and gather technical information at the site to be used for the study. If the Energy Commission Project Manager is available, he/she will also attend the kick off meeting to address any program related questions. After the kick off meeting, the consultant may continue to communicate with the client to request clarifications or additional data required for the efficiency study. The Energy Commission Project Manager should be included on any follow up contact. When complete, the draft energy efficiency study will be provided to the client and the Energy Commission Project Manager for review. Both the client and the Energy Commission Project Manager will provide comments to the consultant. If necessary, the consultant will be available for a conference call if clarification on the draft report or on any comments is required. After all comments are addressed and any changes are completed, the consultant will provide a copy of the final energy study to the Energy Commission Project Manager and client and be available via conference call for a close out meeting to discuss the findings with the Energy Commission Project Manager and client, if necessary.

# 36. Can the Commission share information on current and past implementation teams?

This Technical Assistance Program does not fund the actual implementation or construction of the project. Please see response to question #34 for a list of the current contractors in the team.

# 37. What number of Technical Assistance projects is completed in a typical year (understanding that the program was suspended due to lack of administrative resources during peak ARRA funding period)?

Term of the Contract	Number of Work Authorizations	Amount
2000 – 2004	97	\$1,090,625
July 14, 2004 – March 31, 2008	68	\$801,446
March 1, 2008 – March 31, 2013	67	\$1,400,000
(current)		

The table above shows the number of work authorizations and the amount spent for each contract for both the Bright Schools and Energy Partnership Program.

38. How much funding is disbursed in Technical Assistance projects in a typical program year (excluding ARRA period)?

Please see response question #37 above.

39. The prior program was discontinued in 2010 due to ARRA funding issues. Can you elaborate on what they were?

Please see the response to question #40 below.

### **Program Evaluation Questions**

40. Given that these are existing programs and that you have a contractor providing services right now, can you just comment, in general, on how these programs have performed (i.e. if you're getting the results you would like, or are you having issues come to light that the Energy Commission would like to resolve in this term.)

In general, the program has been largely successful. The current technical assistance contract started in March 2008 and will expire in March 2013. Because of staff workload issues related to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), the Energy Commission decided to suspend the Technical Assistance Programs for non-ARRA activities in December, 2009. The Energy Commission still accepted applications related to ARRA activities. The Technical Assistance Programs were re-opened in November 8, 2012.

41. Has the CEC formally or informally evaluated the performance of this program? If yes, please provide the key findings?

In September 2006, the Energy Commission conducted an informal evaluation of the Bright Schools and Energy Partnership Program. The purpose of the evaluation was to study the implementation rates of technical assistance recipients for the period 2000-2006. Of the 68 participants receiving studies from the Bright Schools Program, 42 (62%) implemented some or all of the recommended measures with 10 using an ECAA loan. If all 42 participants implemented all the recommended measures they would collectively save 20,025,364 kWh and \$2,487,692 annually. Of the 62 participants

receiving studies from the Energy Partnership Program, 43 (69%) implemented some or all of the recommended measures with 14 using an ECAA loan. If all 43 participants implemented all the recommended measures they would collectively save 21,686,322 kWh and \$2,544,255 annually.

In September 2012, Energy Commission staff updated their findings for the Bright Schools Program for the period 2000-2010. Of the 129 participants receiving studies, 82 (66%) implemented some or all of the recommended measures with 12 using a CEC loan. If all 129 participants implemented all the recommended measures they would collectively save 33,735,154 kWh and \$4,783,073 annually.

An update to the Energy-Partnership Program's evaluation may also be conducted in the future.

42. How is the program evaluated by the Energy Commission and has evaluation been done (i.e. rate of implementation of the feasibility studies.)

Please see response to question #41 above.

43. How does the CEC evaluate and measure this program? What are the key metrics?

Please see response to question #41 above.

44. What type of screening process does the Energy Commission do to gauge the level of commitment for each applicant?

When the Energy Commission receives an application, staff does a preliminary site visit and meets with the top management of these facilities. We determine what funding they have for implementing the potential feasibility measures. We also require a governing resolution to make sure that this is approved through their governing councils. We also provide with the tech assistance, implementation assistance and proposal reviews. We also currently provide 1% interest loans to fund the projects.

# **Program Recipients/Locations:**

45. Where is the majority of the work located or is it located all over California?

We cannot predict where the work will be located but it will be throughout the State of California.

46. Can the Commission provide a list of school districts or cities where projects have been completed, or other indicator of geographic coverage of program participants?

Below is a list of program participants who received technical assistance under the current contract.

Work	Organization		
Authorization	or		
No.	Work Description		
1	Project Management		
2	General Technical Assistance		
3	Marin Community College District		
4	Santa Rosa Junior College		
5	Town of Hillsborough		
6	Gavilan CCD		
8	City of Westminister		
9	Loomis USD		
10	AMBAG		
11	Walnut Creek SD		
12	Campbell Union SD		
13	Yuba CCD		
14	City of Rocklin		
15	Soledad USD		
16	Oakland USD		
17	Atascadero USD (withdrawn)		
18	Cochella Valley USD		
19	Buckeye USD		
20	El Dorado Hills CSD		
21	Medical Center of Modesto		
22	Town of Truckee		
23	Coachella USD		
24	Desert Sands USD		
25	Nevada UHSD		
26	Chino Valley USD		
27	West Contra Costa - Ohlone		
28	Sierra-Plumas JUSD		
29	CORE Academy		
30	High Tech High School		
31	Oakland USD		
32	Butte County Office of Education		
33	Los Angeles County		
34	Susanville School District		
35	Lake Tahoe Community College		
36	City of Riverbank		
37	City of San Luis Obispo		
38	City of Pasadena		
39	City of Dinuba		
40	County of Sacramento		
41	City of Costa Mesa		
42	County of Monterey		
43	City of Santa Cruz		
44	City of Laguna Woods		
45	City of Anderson		
46	Nevada Irrigation District		

47	County of Humboldt	
48	City of Red Bluff	
49	County of Lassen	
50	City of Hayward	
51	Snowline JUSD	
52	Eastern Municipal Water District	
53	Fairfield-Suisun USD	
54	Curtis School	
55	Winters JUSD	
56	County of Alameda	
57	Lafayette School District	
58	City of Gonzales	
59	Tuolumne County	
60	City of West Covina	
61	City of San Juan Bautista	
62	County of Imperial	
63	City of South Pasadena	
64	City of Pacific Grove	
65	Town of Truckee	
66	City of La Canada Flintridge	
67	City of King City	
68	County of Lake	

# Scope of Work Questions

47. Task 5 of the Scope of Work mentions fuel cell analysis with waste water? Is there any other need for fuel cell analysis? Is it just limited to water/waste water projects?

No, it is not just limited to water/waste water treatment plants.

48. The current contract has a Prime with 9 or 10 subs. Any sense of what works best? What is the thinking on the current number of subs?

The current contract originally had a team of one prime contractor and 9 subcontractors. The subcontractors were increased to 11 because of an expected increase in workload due to the ARRA Stimulus program. This, however, did not materialize.

We cannot predict the amount and types of applications that may come in during the term of this contract. However, historically, the Energy Commission receives more applications for Task 2 than any other task in the scope of work. For this current contract, almost \$1.4 Million has been allocated to 67 work authorizations to date. Of this amount, 62% have been allocated to to Task 2 (Existing Buildings), 13% to Task 3 (New Construction), 5% to Task 4 (Self-Generation and Renewables), 7% to Task 5 (Water/Waste Water), 8% to Task 6 (Special Engineering Projects, and 0% to Task 7 (Marketing). The Energy Commission makes no guarantee that any or all of the funds will be assigned in any given year or that any or all members of the team, including the prime contractor, will be assigned work.

49. In the pre-bid meeting, CEC staff mentioned that of the current 68 Work Authorizations (WA), approximately 62% are for existing buildings. What percent of the WA do other scope areas represent?

Please see the response to question #48 above.

50. How do you expect the mix of WA to change over the next three years? What trends do you observe?

We cannot predict the amount and types of applications we will receive in the future contact term. In addition, please refer to the response to question #48 above.

51. How is the scope of the work for this program different than in the previous cycle (e.g., 2008)? What is new? What has been modified?

Attached is the latest version of the Scope of Work (Please see Exhibit A: SOW) for the current technical assistance contract so you may make your comparisons.

52. We understand that the assistance that the CEC is seeking for the Loan Program is reviewing and commenting on loan applications. Please describe the scope of this review (e.g., energy savings potential for the project, cost savings, project risk, and financial stability of the applicant?)

Technical assistance review of the loan applications include verifying the technical feasibility of the project and the reasonableness of the energy and cost savings.

### November 30, 2012 Update:

### **Conflict of Interest Question**

53. Are firms that provide technical assistance services through this RFQ precluded from providing design services for the projects that are connected with these programs/RFQ?

Once Commission-funded technical assistance (i.e. energy audit) for a public agency is completed, it is the decision of the public agency as to whether a Commission contractor/subcontractor would be eligible for subsequent work related to the recommendations in the energy audit. You can accept work from a public agency for design services on a project, if the work is being done through a separate contract between the public agency and your firm, and as long as you did not develop the bid document and the bid is not being reviewed as part of the Commission's contract. The public agency would follow their own bidding rules to select a firm to provide design services. The Commission's contract cannot be used to pay for project design.

#### **Exhibit A**

### **Scope of Work**

# **PURPOSE**

This is a work authorization Agreement and no work shall be undertaken unless authorized by the Callifornia Energy Commission (Energy Commission) through a specific written document called a work authorization. The Contract Manager will prepare and issue the written work authorizations which define the scope of work, the schedule of deliverables and the project budget.

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide engineering and architectural services to support Energy Commission programs designed to improve energy efficiency in existing and planned facilities. The Agreement will support the Bright Schools, Energy Partnership and Energy Efficiency Financing Programs. Specifically, the Contractor will provide engineering and architectural services to support the following:

# **Primary Tasks**

The major categories of work are divided into the following tasks:

Task	Description of Task			
1	Evaluate Energy Efficiency Opportunities in Existing Buildings Provide Support for New Construction Projects			
2				
3	Evaluate Opportunities for Cogeneration, Distributive Generation, Renewable Energy Systems, and Thermal Energy Storage			
4	Evaluate Energy Efficiency Opportunities in Water & Wastewater Treatment Facilities			
5	Provide Professional Engineering Support			
6	Program and Energy Efficiency Marketing			
7	Administrative Support Services to Contract (Contractor only)			

**Note**: The following applies to all tasks.

<u>Feasibility Studies/Energy Audits/Other Deliverables.</u> The Energy Commission's Contract Manager will specify the number of required copies. Hardcopy and/or electronic copy on CD/disk shall be requested. These copies are due to the Contract Manager according to the work authorization schedule. Draft reports are typically due approximately six weeks after the initial site visit and final reports are due approximately two weeks after the draft reports as specified in the work authorization.

# Task 1 – Evaluate Energy Efficiency Opportunities in Existing Buildings

Contractor shall conduct facility energy audits and prepare technical reports identifying energy efficiency opportunities in public buildings or facilities as assigned. At each facility energy audit, a California registered Professional Engineer must be on site and

sign off on the validity of the report recommendations. The energy audits shall be comprehensive or technology specific. A comprehensive study includes a detailed analysis of all energy efficiency opportunities within the facility. A study shall also be authorized for a single purpose project, focusing on a particular technology (e.g., lighting only). For comprehensive energy audits, unless otherwise specified in the Work Authorization, the Energy Commission shall require that the energy audit analysis and technical report be prepared according to the Energy Commission's Guide to Preparing Feasibility Studies for Energy Efficiency Projects (publication number P400-00-002).

Typical project areas to be considered in an energy audit include, but are not limited to the following:

# Lighting

- 1. Incandescent, fluorescent, HID lighting conversions, and LED exit signs.
- 2. Traffic and Street lights.
- 3. Occupancy sensors.

Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning (HVAC)

- Upgrade natural gas fired boilers.
- 2. Efficient cooling towers.
- 3. Primary/secondary pumping.
- 4. Heat recovery.
- 5. Evaporative cooling.
- 6. Variable speed, two speed and high efficiency motors.
- 7. Packaged air conditioner or chiller replacement.
- 8. Controls.
- 9. Energy management systems.
- 10. Modifications of existing controls and system operations.
- 11. Dual duct conversions.
- 12. Outside air economizer operations and modifications.

The Contractor shall assist public agencies in the contract process, including preparing performance specifications. Upon completion of the energy audit and technical reports, the Contractor shall be directed to develop performance specifications and provide other services as needed to assist a public agency in the construction of projects recommended in the audit. The Contractor will be asked to evaluate project cost effectiveness using Energy Commission financing and utility/third party incentives. The Energy Commission's Project Manager will determine whether this work shall be included in the work authorization.

#### Deliverables and due dates

All work assignments will be made through specific work authorizations and will specify the schedule of deliverables.

# Task 2 – Provide Support for New Construction Projects

Contractor shall conduct reviews of new public facility designs, including developing and/or evaluating building computer simulations, and recommending cost effective design alternatives to increase building energy efficiency. Assist public agencies to exceed the State's Building Energy Efficiency Standards (California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 6) and/or the Appliance Efficiency Standards (California Code of Regulations, Title 20, Section 1601 et.seq.) by identifying cost-effective measures.

The Contractor shall advise the public agency and/or the agency's architect and Mechanical Engineers on energy efficient design alternatives including developing lifecycle cost comparisons of alternatives. This shall include:

- Review and make recommendations on lighting systems, daylighting opportunities or design layouts;
- Review and make recommendations on building orientation, envelope features including energy optimized insulation and fenestration;
- Review and make recommendations on HVAC systems and energy management controls including identification of load shifting opportunities;
- Development of baseline and proposed building simulation models;
- Estimating incremental cost for alternatives and developing cost benefit analysis;
- Evaluate and analyze the technical and economic feasibility of using energy and resource efficient building materials on public facilities. Energy and resource efficient building materials include use of recycled materials, those with low embodied energy and those that can reduce waste generation at the construction/demolition site; and
- Evaluate the costs and benefits of the recommendations using life cycle cost analysis or other methods, as determined by the Energy Commission's Contract Manager.

#### Deliverables and due dates

All work assignments will be made through specific work authorizations and will specify the schedule of deliverables.

# Task 3 – Evaluate Opportunities for Cogeneration, Distributive Generation, Renewable Energy Systems, and Thermal Energy Storage

Contractor shall evaluate the technical and economic feasibility of installing a cogeneration, distributed generation, renewable energy system (including landfill gas, photovoltaics, biomas, wind and fuel cells) and/or thermal energy storage system for public facility (facilities). Depending on the nature of the project, the Energy Commission's Contract Manager shall require a California registered Professional

Engineer be on-site during data collection and approve the final study or report. The Commission financing and utility/third party incentives. The Energy Commission shall ask that the feasibility study be prepared according to the Energy Commission's Guide to Preparing Feasibility Studies for Energy Efficiency Projects (P400-00-002).

#### Deliverables and due dates

All work assignments will be made through specific work authorizations and will specify the schedule of deliverables.

# Task 4 – Evaluate Energy Efficiency Opportunities in Water and Wastewater Treatment Facilities.

The Contractor shall evaluate energy efficiency opportunities including on-site energy generation in water and wastewater treatment facilities. Depending on the nature of the project, the Energy Commission's Contract Manager shall require a California registered Professional Engineer be on-site during data collection and approve the final study or report. The Contractor shall be asked to evaluate project cost effectiveness using Energy Commission financing and utility/third party incentives. The report will either be comprehensive or technology specific.

Typical project areas to be considered in the report include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Lighting improvements.
- Heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) modifications and/or replacements.
- Energy efficient motor and pump replacements, including variable speed drives.
- Water/wastewater treatment process improvements.
- Electrical load management systems and strategies.
- Cogeneration optimization (wastewater only).
- Fuel cell analysis (wastewater only).

Once the report is completed, the Contractor shall be directed to assist the customer in implementing energy projects by providing services to support the bid process.

#### Deliverables and due dates

All work assignments will be made through specific work authorizations and will specify the schedule of deliverables.

# Task 5 – Provide Professional Engineering Support Services

The Contractor shall be assigned to provide engineering support for special projects. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Evaluation of Energy Services and Power Purchase Proposals. Perform independent review of energy project proposals submitted to public agencies. The Contractor shall be assigned to review existing energy project proposals, designs, and other special projects on a case-by-case basis, as directed by the Energy Commission's Contract Manager. In particular, the Energy Commission is frequently asked to assist local agencies to procure services from an energy service company or to provide an independent review of proposals.
- <u>Commissioning.</u> Recommend building and/or equipment Commissioning procedures and assist in oversight inspection and Commissioning of installed energy efficiency or energy related projects. Commissioning services could include:
  - Help in developing a Commissioning plan for a specific building; or
  - Reviewing and commenting on the adequacy of the commissioning protocols proposed by a design team for an entire building or energy system.
- Monitoring and Verification. Perform independent monitoring and verification of energy projects to determine baseline energy use and energy use after project installation. The purpose is to compare "actual" energy savings with those identified in the energy study or report. The Contractor shall be asked to provide project troubleshooting, pump testing and/or monitoring and verification tools.
- <u>Utility Tariffs Analysis.</u> Review current utility tariffs and determine whether the public agency could benefit by changing tariffs based on the recommended projects. The Contractor shall be assigned to review the current tariffs and evaluate the impacts of pending California Public Utility Commission (CPUC) rulemaking, especially for power generation projects (e.g., cogeneration, landfill gas). Also, the Contractor shall be assigned to evaluate the impact of current/planned demand side management, demand response, and distributed generation incentives and their impact on project feasibility.
- <u>Technology Assessment.</u> Evaluate new technologies for energy savings potential.
   Services could include contracting with an independent testing lab to determine whether the manufacturers' claims of energy savings potential can be supported.
- Field Assistance. Perform independent assistance to public agencies to determine project cost estimates for energy projects. This may require a site visit to determine the entire scope of the project to be cost estimated.

### Deliverables and due dates

All work assignments will be made through specific work authorizations and will specify the schedule of deliverables.

# Task 6 – Program and Energy Efficiency Marketing

The Contractor shall provide program and energy efficiency marketing assistance to the Energy Commission. Assist in the development of marketing materials that shall include case studies, energy efficiency program brochures and applications.

# Deliverables and due dates

All work assignments will be made through specific work authorizations and will specify the schedule of deliverables.

# Task 7 – Administrative Support Services to Contract

- Monthly Progress Report. The Contractor shall prepare a monthly progress report which summarizes all activities conducted by the Contractor and team. This report includes a summary of contract expenditures to date. The monthly progress report is due to the Energy Commission's Contract Manager within 15 working days after the end of the month. The Energy Commission's Contract Manager will specify the report format and the number of copies to be submitted. All monthly progress reports will coincide with the invoice period.
- Final Report. The Contractor shall provide a draft and final contract report and abstract. A draft Final Report is due three months before the end of the contract. The Final Report is due no later than fifteen days before the end of the contract. The Final Report shall include a summary of:
  - The effectiveness of this contract in meeting the objectives of the program;
  - Summary of the work accomplishments of the Contractor and team; and
  - Future activities recommended to increase the effectiveness of the programs and this contract.
- Invoice. The Contractor shall prepare a monthly invoice for all contract expenses performed for assigned work authorizations. An advance copy of the invoice shall be sent to the Contract Manager to ensure that all records are included and the invoice is for authorized work. The official invoice is to be submitted to the Energy Commission's Accounting Office. The Energy Commission's Contract Manager will specify the invoice format.
- Program Meetings and Briefings. At the request of the Energy Commission's Contract Manager, the Contractor and subcontractors shall be available for meetings or to provide written and/or verbal program briefings to the Energy Commission's staff or others. The cost of meetings with public agencies will be included in each work authorization. The cost of meetings requested specifically by the Contractor will be borne solely by the Contractor. The Energy Commission expects to hold no more than one (1) program briefing meeting per quarter.

Manage Work Authorizations and Subcontractors. At the direction of the Contract Manager, the Contractor shall issue Energy Commission prepared work authorizations which define the scope of work, the schedule of deliverables and the project budget.

On an ongoing basis the Contractor shall perform the following tasks:

- Prepare and issue contract agreements with subcontractors that include all required provisions contained in the contract between the Energy Commission and the Contractor:
- Respond in a timely fashion to information requests or direction from the Energy Commission's Contract Manager;
- Coordinate availability of subcontractors to meet needs of Energy Commission staff;
- Require subcontractors, via a contract, to provide invoices which correctly
  identify personnel, actual hourly rates and direct expenses charged to each work
  authorization and provide back-up documentation for expenses; and
- Maintain a current contract spreadsheet capable of tracking subcontractor and Contractor work activity, subcontractor and Contractor invoice activity, and the status of work authorizations.

# EXHIBIT B: DIGITAL ENERGY, INC. CONTRACT TEAM #400-07-026

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- Evaluate Energy Efficiency Opportunities in Existing Buildings
- Support for New Construction Projects
- Cogeneration, Distributive Generation, Renewable Energy Systems and Thermal Energy Systems
- Engineering Support
- Administrative Support

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Evaluate energy efficiency opportunities in existing buildings

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- Engineering Support

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# Area of Expertise:

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# **Area of Expertise:**

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# **Exhibit C**

# A. Minimum Qualifications

1.	The Firm submitting a SOQ must be the prime contractor of the team from a single entity, not a group of representatives from different companies. The Energy Commission will contract with one prime contractor, and the prime contractor will subcontract with various companies who will provide technical expertise. The firm submitting a SOQ must be an entity that has one or more licensed mechanical or electrical professional engineers and can perform one or more Tasks of Tasks 2 to Task 6 specified in this RFQ (Check yes)
2.	The Firm submitting a SOQ must include at least three subcontractor companies on the team (Check yes)
3.	The team must include one or more licensed mechanical and/or electrical professional engineers from each engineering firm. There is no minimum required.  (Check yes)
4.	The team must include one or more licensed architects or LEED APs (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design Accredited Professionals) (Check yes)

- 5. There must be at least one company that can provide the necessary service for each task in the work statement. This requirement can be met if:
  - The Firm submitting a SOQ can cover the task and/or
  - A subcontractor can cover the tasks

(Include a table similar to the example below, showing which company is able to provide service for the various tasks. The table below shows an example of how the Firm will provide proof of meeting this minimum requirement.)

Task	Prime Contractor	Sub #1	Sub #2	Sub #3
1. Administration	X	n/a	n/a	n/a
Existing Buildings	Х	Х	Х	Х
3. New construction	X	Х	X	
4. Cogen, Renewables, etc.	X		Х	
5. Water/wastewater	X			X
6. Professional engineering	X	Х	Х	X
7. Marketing				X